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- 1. KAYHAN INTERNATIONAL ARTICLE SEPTEMBER 30 (HEADLINED "AMOUZEGAR: OPEC UNHOLY ALLIANCE WAS DESTROYED") WAS REPORTED REF B. ARTICLE REPORTED AMOUZEGAR SAID HE WAS "INSTRUCTED BY SHAHANSHAH TO HAVE ISSUE PUT TO VOTE IN WHICH NINE MEMBER STATES SUPPORTED IRAN, ONE ABSTAINED AND "UNHOLY ALLIES' MOVED AGAINST IRAN." THIS WORDING LED US TO BELIEVE AMOUZEGAR WAS ATTACKING PARTY OR PARTIES THAT VOTED WITH SAG.
- 2. AP DISPATCH ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO QUOTED RECENT MEES (WHOSE CONFIDENTIAL

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HAD BEEN 9-2-2 VOTE AT MEETING, IN WHICH UAE VOTED WITH SAG, WHILE ALGERIA AND KUWAIT ABSTAINED. THUS OUR FIRST SPECULATION WAS THAT AMOUZEGAR WAS TELKING ABOUT UAE AND PERHAPS TRYING TO FRIGHTEN OTAIBA OUT OF YAMANI CAMP. KAYHAN ARTICLE, HOWEVER, QUOTED AMOUZEGAR AS SAYING THAT "UNNAMED COUNTRY" BADLY NEEDED OIL REVENUES FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

3. GOSSIP HERE HAS TENDED TO IDENTIFY ALGERIA AS "BROTHER" WHO MOST AROUSED AMOUZEGAR'S RAGE, BECAUSE IT ENTERED MEETING WITH ITS POSITION CONCERTED WITH SAG. AN ECONOMIC ADVISOR TO AMOUZEGAR OCT 19 CONFIRMED TO AN EMBOFF THAT ALGERIA INDEED WAS MAIN TARGET OF AMOUZEGAR'S OUTBURST. RUMOR HERE ALSO HAS IT THAT YAMANI, TOO, IS ANGRY WITH ALGERIANS--FOR ABANDONING HIM EARLY IN MEETING.
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